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TO: Honorable Todd Hunter, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB2279 by Ellis (relating to the dedication of certain civil penalties for violations of the Deceptive Trade Practices-Consumer Protection Act to provide civil legal services to the indigent.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code and provides that funds recovered by the Attorney General's Office as civil penalties pursuant to an action under the Business and Commerce Code are to be credited to the judicial fund for certain approved programs providing civil legal services to the indigent. It is assumed that any costs associated with implementation of the bill would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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